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To: Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary

Surface Transportation Board

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Washington, DC 20423-0001

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Re: Canadian National Railway Company, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation Common Control (STB Finance Docket No. 33842)

Dear Secretary Williams:

The enclosed original statement of KBM Corp. came direct to my office. As it did not contain the necessary address or docket reference, time not permitting, I have taken the liberty of superimposing the missing address and docket reference on the copies and taped the address and docket reference on the original.

I respectfully request waiver of the electronic submission format for the accompanying statement and ten copies.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

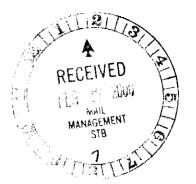
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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K St. N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001 KBM CORPORATION

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VERIFIED STATEMENT
OF
KENNETH KOZAK
ON BEHALF OF
KBM CORPORATION



ENTERED

My name is Kenneth Kozak and I am President of KBM Corporation in Oconto Falls, Wisconsin. The office address is P.O. Box A, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin 54154-0996.

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KBM is a shipper and broker of lignin, and we have been in the business for 20 years. Each year we ship approximately 100 twenty-thousand gallon tank cars of lignin material by rail, while using the services of all the major rail companies available.

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We understand that Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Canadian National are requesting authority to enter into a transaction that would put them under common control. We strongly support this application as the combined company will create a rail network that should offer significant opportunities for service improvements and efficiencies.

KBM believes the proposed single-line service will improve utilization of our tank car fleet through better, more direct and faster service. We also anticipate that increased efficiencies will result in decreased or stable freight charges. This would allow us to remain competitive and reach new markets that presently are not economically viable.

KBM supports the application for common control. We urge the board to approve the acquisition because this seems the best way to improve service, enhance efficiency, lower costs and as a result promote the growth of rail traffic.

I, Kenneth Kozak, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement executed on this 17 Day of February, 2000.